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### HISTORY OF THE STANDARDS

Most people imagine that the Irish  
 must at once adopt the "standard of  
 green unfurled," with the un-  
 crowned harp displayed thereon, but  
 they are just as likely to choose one  
 of a very different hue. The green  
 standard is comparatively modern,  
 not being much more than a hundred  
 years in vogue. There are others of  
 different device and color which have  
 a much more glorious history at-  
 tached to them. The history of Ire-  
 land under the green flag has been  
 one of persistent defeat and mis-  
 fortune, and the Irish people may  
 decide to shelve it as a hoodoo and  
 a hindrance. When the new Ireland  
 starts out on her career of glory and  
 prosperity, no tatters of her former  
 plight can be permitted to cling to  
 her and obstruct her triumphant  
 march down through the ages. A  
 writer in the Gaelic American gives  
 the following interesting history of  
 the several standards and emblems  
 of ancient Ireland. It might be ad-  
 ded, too, that saffron was also a  
 favorite color of the Irish and the  
 uniform of the ancient Irish soldiers  
 (the kerns and gallo-glases men-  
 tioned in Shakespeare) consisted of  
 saffron-colored tunics.

"Probably nine Irishmen out of  
 ten, if asked what the national flag  
 of Ireland is, would reply without  
 hesitation: 'The harp without the  
 crown,' meaning the golden Celtic  
 harp on a green ground, which is  
 flown very generally by Irishmen.  
 Most of them believe that this has  
 always been Ireland's flag, but the  
 fact is that, as flags go, it is com-  
 paratively new. It first made its ap-  
 pearance in 1798, when it was adopted  
 by the United Irishmen, and it is  
 said that they chose green because  
 it is a blend of orange and blue, to  
 typify the union of North and  
 South. In point of antiquity the real  
 Irish flag is the 'spear and ser-  
 pent,' which appears in the arms of  
 the O'Sullivans. It is said to com-  
 memorate the incident of Gaothil  
 Glas, the ancestor of Milesius who,  
 tradition says, was cured of a snake  
 bite by the rod of Moses. Next to  
 that comes the flag of Pionn Mc-  
 Cumhail's militia, the golden sun-  
 burst on a blue ground, and the  
 weight of opinion seems to favor  
 this as the true national flag. Blue  
 indeed was always Ireland's national  
 color until 1798. There are a num-  
 ber of other flags which have fig-  
 ured in Irish history, and all have  
 their enthusiastic supporters. One  
 of the most popular is the three  
 golden crowns on a blue ground,  
 which figures now in the arms of the  
 Province of Munster. This was ac-  
 cepted after the Norman invasion in  
 1172 as the flag of Ireland, the  
 three crowns typifying the kingdoms  
 of Desmond, Ormond and Thomond.  
 It was retained until 1547, when  
 Henry VIII. abolished it and substi-  
 tuted the harp. Coming down to  
 more recent times we find that  
 Grattan's Parliament did not recog-  
 nize green, although it did accept  
 the harp. Its flag was a golden harp  
 on a blue ground. A new flag was  
 evolved at the time of the Union,  
 apparently for the express purpose  
 of incorporating in it what is now  
 known as the Union Jack, but it does  
 not seem to have caught the popular  
 fancy any more than the act of  
 union. This was the red saltire on  
 a white ground, which was christ-  
 ened 'St. Patrick's Cross.' Appar-  
 ently it was 'lifted' from the arms  
 of Trinity College, Dublin, though  
 how Trinity came by it is equally a  
 mystery. The tri-color of green,  
 white and orange—the Orange and  
 the Green, with the stripe of peace  
 between—was the recognized flag of  
 Irish Nationalists whose aim is com-  
 plete independence."

**GUARDING POPE'S HEALTH.**  
 From Rome it is cabled that  
 extraordinary precautions are taken  
 to protect the Pope against the un-  
 usual differences of temperature of  
 this wonderful season. The spring  
 may be said to have lasted well into  
 August, but now the summer has  
 come, and although belated it is very  
 hot, with unusually cold nights. The  
 attack which the Pontiff suffered last  
 spring left him peculiarly sensitive  
 to changes of temperature, while the  
 heat is most trying, causing him to  
 lose weight. Cardinal Merry del Val  
 pays him a daily visit from his sum-  
 mer residence at Monte Mario, a short  
 distance from Rome. In this respect  
 the present Secretary of State is more  
 fortunate than his predecessor, Car-  
 dinal Rampolla, who for fifteen years  
 was unable to leave the Eternal City  
 owing to the delicate health of Leo  
 XIII.

**STEADILY IMPROVING.**  
 James C. Rogers, Circuit Court  
 Clerk of Fayette county and one of  
 Kentucky's most prominent Knights  
 of Columbus, who had been ill at  
 Old Point Comfort with pneumonia  
 poisoning for two weeks, has been  
 removed to St. Joseph's Hospital in  
 Lexington, where his condition has  
 steadily improved.

**ARCHBISHOP'S ANNIVERSARY.**  
 Last Thursday the Most Rev.  
 John Ireland, Archbishop of St.  
 Paul and leading churchman of  
 America, defender of our creed and  
 country, apostle of the Holy  
 Eucharist and the friend of the

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lowly celebrated his seventy-fifth  
 birthday. From all classes and  
 everywhere he received messages of  
 congratulation, coupled with prayers  
 that God will bless and long spare  
 him to his people.

### LATEST STYLE NOTES.

The ribbons shown are darker  
 than any displayed for months.  
 Though the fall days are distant,  
 hints are already visible in the  
 shops.

All the indications are that hats  
 will continue to be small, or at any  
 rate moderate.

The adjustable tunic is a delight  
 to the women who must make one  
 frock do for several uses.

Velvet leads the other fabrics,  
 used for ball gowns and coat suits.  
 There are many weaves.

Blue is revived for house wear.  
 This same color is brought out in  
 moire for afternoon gowns.

Doit blue and copper color are  
 popular shades in all designs and  
 materials in the new waists.

Blouses for cool days are to be  
 had in crepe de chine and crepe  
 chiffon, the latter made over net.

Unless there is some drastic change  
 women may be able to wear the  
 gowns they possess until next April.

Plush hats and cotton velvet are  
 among the offerings, the last men-  
 tioned being entirely new and quite  
 smart.

There is as yet no sign of stiffen-  
 ing in silks or woolen materials.  
 The principal peculiarity of the new  
 fabrics is their supple limpsness.

### DEWEY'S OPINION.

When asked Saturday at Pitta-  
 field, Mass., if he regarded the  
 United States prepared for any un-  
 expected trouble with a foreign na-  
 tion, Admirable George Dewey said:

"So far as the army is concerned, I  
 am not prepared to give an opinion,  
 but I do not hesitate to say that the  
 navy has never before been so well  
 prepared for war as at the present  
 time."

### SAVING THE FORESTS.

The United States forest service is  
 using gasoline railway speeders for  
 fire protection purposes. They fol-  
 low up trains on steep grades, where  
 sparks thrown out by forced draft  
 are likely to start fires along the  
 right of way.

### IRELAND WILL EXHIBIT.

Men prominent in this country  
 and Ireland are working earnestly  
 and are confident of a creditable  
 Irish exhibit at the Panama Expon-  
 sition in 1915. The Irish section will  
 be known as the Shamrock Isle.

### MISS GRONOTTE WINS.

It was Miss Leona Gronotte, tele-  
 phone operator at the Covington City  
 building, who received the prize of a  
 gold lavalliere as the best girl  
 at the Knights of Columbus' outing  
 held recently at Covington.

### GIVES THREE ALTARS.

Martin Moloney, of Scranton, has  
 donated three marble altars, cost-  
 ing \$12,000, to the Church of the  
 Nativity in that city. Other dona-  
 tions to the church have been made,  
 amounting in all to \$25,000.

## FORGERY.

Etching by Famous Artist Is  
 Given an Anti-Catholic  
 Interpretation.

Absurd Lengths to Which Social-  
 ist Go in Slandering  
 Church.

Practices Indicate Character of  
 the Hard Pressed and Vile  
 Falsifiers.

### CLUMSY EFFORT TO MISLEAD

An instance of the absurd lengths  
 to which anti-Catholic sheets will go  
 in the present day campaign of  
 slander and vilification against the  
 church and their absolute un-  
 scrupulousness when endeavoring to  
 substantiate some of their false  
 charges is well illustrated in the  
 August issue of the Melting Pot, a  
 Socialistic organ, which unlike the  
 Menace, boldly announces its con-  
 nections and its source of its origin,  
 and which blasphemously attacks all  
 belief in God and in revealed religion.

Accompanying an article filled  
 with misstatements, is an illustration  
 entitled "Execution of Protestants in  
 the Netherlands," representing two  
 armies, or divisions of the same  
 army, drawn up on opposite sides of  
 a great tree, from whose branches  
 the dead or dying bodies of some  
 twenty-one men are hanging, while  
 on a ladder placed against the tree  
 others are mounting to their execu-  
 tion. In a group below the tree, in  
 another to the right of the picture,  
 and on the ladder of execution,  
 monks with crucifixes in their hands  
 are earnestly exhorting those about  
 to die and granting final absolution.

As a matter of fact, the label  
 which has been placed upon this pic-  
 ture in the Melting Pot is absolutely  
 false and is a clumsy effort to mis-  
 lead those who would be unable to  
 verify the title by comparison with  
 that of the original, from which this  
 picture was taken. It is not a por-  
 trayal of the execution of Protestants  
 at all, but is one of a series of  
 etchings on "The Miseries and Suffer-  
 ings of War," produced by  
 Jacques Callot (1592-1635), a  
 French artist, in two series in  
 1632-33, and represents the punish-  
 ment by regular troops of  
 marauders and guerrilla warriors,  
 captured while pillaging the coun-  
 try and sentenced to death by court-  
 martial, during the Thirty Years  
 War in Germany. The scene is not  
 laid in the Netherlands as the sup-  
 posed title indicates, but in the Ger-  
 man empire of that time.

This historical "forgery" is all  
 the bolder for the fact that Callot  
 was an artist of consequence, a man  
 whose works, for the technical pro-  
 cess employed, are "a landmark in  
 the history of etching," and that this  
 series on "The Miseries of War" is  
 among the greatest of his efforts.  
 The man who, in order to bolster his  
 contentions, deliberately chooses one  
 picture out of a great series and  
 falsifies its name for the purpose of  
 distorting the subject, must be hard  
 pressed indeed for substantial proofs  
 on which to base his argument.  
 Such practices, moreover, indicate  
 the character (or lack of character)  
 of those who are at the present time  
 attacking the church. C. B.

### MARCH WITH MUSIC.

The Director of Public Safety of  
 Philadelphia having modified his  
 order, which prohibited parades on  
 Sunday with bands of music, and  
 Archbishop Prendergast having been  
 assured a parade without music  
 would not be as successful as that  
 of last year, has given his consent  
 to bands in the demonstration of  
 Holy Name Societies to be held  
 Sunday, September 28. The new  
 order of the Director permits music  
 only in parades of a religious nature,  
 and does not allow the playing of  
 the bands in the vicinity of any  
 church of any denomination.

### VICEROY FOR IRELAND.

According to the Liverpool Post  
 it is now certain that the Duke of  
 Connaught, at present Governor  
 General of Canada, will be the first  
 Viceroy of Ireland under home rule.  
 Prince Arthur, according to this  
 story, will succeed his father as the  
 Governor General of Canada. He will  
 get the title of Duke of Kent. The  
 Post says further that in the unlikely  
 event of the Duke of Connaught be-  
 ing prevented from accepting the of-  
 fice of Viceroy of Ireland the post  
 will be offered to the Duke of Nor-  
 folk, the leading lay Roman Cath-  
 olic in England.

### LOUISVILLE BOYS ENTERTAINED.

Francis Nevitt, Leo Creeden, Ray-  
 mond Colbert, Edward Moore, Paul  
 Thiener, Edgar O'Connor, James  
 Maloney, John Deary and Will Mad-  
 den, all Louisville and Lebanon boys  
 and seminary students, were enter-  
 tained in Indianapolis by Raymond  
 Melton, a fellow student, before re-  
 turning to college last week.

### RETURNS TO COLLEGE.

Dan Walsh, Jr., of New Albany,  
 formerly a newspaper reporter on the  
 Louisville papers but now a  
 student for the priesthood at St.  
 Meinrad's College in Indiana, left  
 Wednesday to resume his studies  
 after spending his vacation with his  
 parents in New Albany and friends  
 in Louisville.

### RETREAT ON ISLAND.

The annual retreat of the priests  
 of the diocese of Portland, Maine,  
 will be held this year at the Ottawa  
 House, Cushing's Island, from Sep-  
 tember 15 to 19 inclusive. The  
 hotel will be closed then for the  
 season and will be used exclusively  
 for the priests.

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